



## **Department of the Military**

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Friday- February 8, 2013
Lake Francis Case Room, Ramkota Hotel, Pierre, SD

The Board of Military Affairs (BOMA) met in Pierre, SD on 8 February 2013, in the Lake Francis Case Room at the Ramkota Hotel. The meeting was called to order at 8:30am (CST).

## ATTENDANCE:

## **BOMA Members in Attendance:**

Al Cornella Richard Trankle Larry Weiss Robert Shepherd Kim Vanneman

## Military Personnel and Department Staff in attendance:

Adjutant General Tim Reisch Deputy Secretary Steve Harding Christi Kuiper

Meeting was called to order- MG Reisch reviewed the October 4, 2012 minutes. Weiss approved, Trankle second. All voted aye.

MG Reisch discusses expansion of BOMA and introduces Kim Vanneman and Robert Shepherd as new members.

MG Reisch added Budget issues to the agenda- Budget control act cuts, submission of the first round cuts and the reduction level of the budget and sequestration.

MG Reisch updated the board members with a presentation slide show and talked briefly on updates including the Air and Army Guard budget, National Guard leadership/personnel, Armory closure updates, Military construction, the Watertown Readiness Center, and current and future deployments of Army and Air Guard units. Also discussed were National Guard active duty and total statewide economic impact.

The role of the Army and Air National Guard was reviews with all board members. Included were the state and federal missions.

Two appropriation bills were discussed that the National Guard had introduces as agency bills. SB-29 will allow the National Guard to purchase land by the Sioux Falls Armory (state general funds) and SB-30 will allow the National Guard to construct a motor vehicle storage building in Sioux Falls (federal funding authority).

A suggestion was made to hold a board meeting in Mitchell and attend new facilities. Touring air facilities and seeing the changes and expansion of facilities in Sioux Falls was suggested as well.

Deputy Secretary Harding updated board members on the progression of the new state veterans home in Hot Springs.

Meeting adjourned